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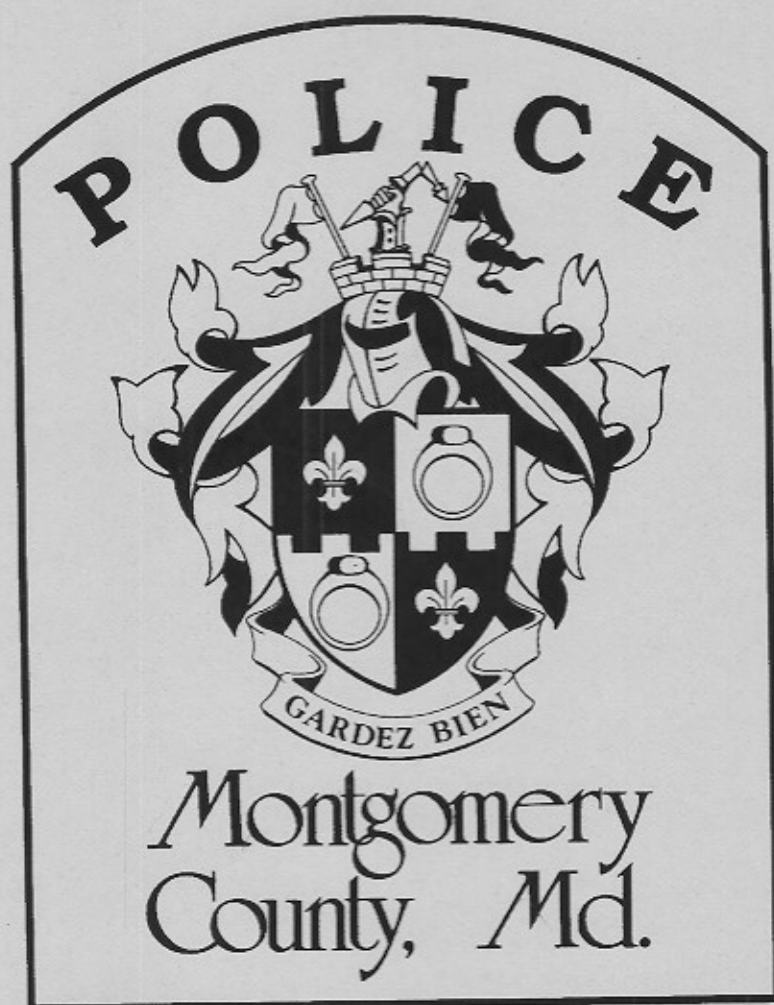
Montgomery County, Md.

Crime Report
Year End 2004

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Year-End 2004 Crime Statistics

Montgomery County Chief of Police J. Thomas Manger today announced a 4.7% decrease in crime within Montgomery County for the 2004 calendar year. Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) statistics for year end 2004, as compared to the year end in 2003 show:

- Part I Crime decreased 14.0%
- Part II Crime increased by 1.3%
- Overall, Total Crime (Part I and Part II totals) decreased by 4.7%

Part I Crimes Decreased by 14.0%:

Murder:	decreased 14.3%	(from 21 to 18)
Rape:	increased 3.0%	(from 135 to 139)
Robbery:	decreased 21.5%	(from 1,004 to 788)
Aggravated Assault:	increased 1.4%	(from 954 to 967)
Burglary	decreased 8.6%	(from 4,095 to 3,743)
Larceny:	decreased 13.3%	(from 17,875 to 15,503)
Auto Theft:	decreased 26.6%	(from 3,489 to 2,562)

Part II Crimes Increased by 1.3%

Part II crimes are defined as minor assaults, arson, forgery-counterfeiting, bad checks, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons offenses, prostitution, sex offenses, controlled dangerous substance (CDS) violations, gambling, family offenses, juvenile offenses, liquor law violations, disorderly conduct, suicide, and non-traffic offenses.

An analysis of the 2004 year-end statistics includes the following:

Homicides:

Seventy two percent of the homicide victims in 2004 (13) were previously affiliated with their killer(s)...ten were killed by someone known to them and three were killed by a relative. Strangers were responsible for two homicides. Fifteen cases were closed and three remain open, for a closure rate of 83%.

Rapes:

There were 145 reports of rape in 2004 that were determined to be valid. Six cases that occurred in previous years (not in 2004) were closed in 2004. Per UCR reporting guidelines, these six closed cases were subtracted from the 145 valid cases reported in 2004, making the number of rapes reported to UCR as 139. Of the 145 valid reports of rape made in 2004, 20 incidents occurred in a prior year; making 125 the actual number of rapes that were reported in and occurred in 2004.

Robberies:

The number of reports of robbery decreased in all six police districts. Non-commercial robberies dropped 23%, from 854 in 2003 to 655 in 2004.

Aggravated Assault:

In 2003, 25% of the 954 reported incidents of aggravated assault had a domestic relationship between the victim and the offender. In 2004, 30% of 967 reported incidents were domestic-related.

Burglaries:

Residential burglaries comprised 66% of the total burglaries for 2004, showing a 7% decrease from reported residential burglaries in 2003. Commercial burglaries comprised 31% of the total burglaries in 2004, showing an 11% decrease from reported burglaries in 2003. School burglaries comprised 3% of the total burglaries in 2004, showing a 27% decrease from reported burglaries in 2003.

Larcenies:

Vehicle-related thefts accounted for 45% of the overall larcenies in 2004, showing a 17% decrease from 2003.

Auto Thefts:

There was a 26.6% decrease in auto theft, and of the vehicles stolen in Montgomery County in 2004, approximately 55% were recovered.

Motor Vehicle Collisions:

A year-end review of the Motor Vehicle Collisions Study Report includes the following year 2004 comparison analysis to year 2003:

- The number of all motor vehicle collisions investigated by Montgomery County Police decreased 4%, from 13,551 to 13,046.
- The total number of fatal collisions increased 18%, from 50 to 59.
- Fatalities in alcohol-related collisions increased 33.3%, from 12 to 16.
- The total number of collisions resulting in injury decreased 5%, from 5,589 to 5,321.
- Alcohol-related injury collisions increased 3%, from 408 to 419.
- Fatalities from motor vehicle collisions increased 27.2%, from 55 to 70.
- Pedestrian fatalities increased 8%, from 13 to 14.
- There was 1 fatality to a bicycle rider in 2004, and none in 2003.
- There were 2 fatalities to motorcycle riders in 2004, and 2 in 2003.
- Injuries to pedestrians decreased 3%, from 431 to 416,
- Injuries to bicycle riders decreased 15%, from 90 to 77.
- Injuries to motorcycle riders increased 38%, from 71 to 98.

In making today's announcement, Chief Manger stated, "I am encouraged by the overall decrease in crime in the county in 2004. We as a department will focus our attention on the areas that have shown increases, while continuing to address the areas that have shown a decrease. With the help of the residents of Montgomery County, I am confident that we can continue to see a decrease in crime throughout the county. The help of our residents is invaluable, and I encourage everyone in the county to remain vigilant and report any suspicious persons and activities to the police. By working together, residents and police have a great opportunity to continue to reduce crime in Montgomery County.

Note: A copy of these crime statistics, as well as, those from previous years is available at the Montgomery County Police website under the Crime Stats link on the Media Services/Press Release page at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/police. Or a copy can be picked up at the Montgomery County Police Headquarters, 2350 Research Boulevard, Rockville, MD.
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Department of Police Monthly Report

Comparison Study of Offenses
January 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

	2004 Monthly	2003 Monthly	% Change	2004 Year To Date	2003 Year To Date	% Change
Murder	1	3	-66.7%	18	21	-14.3%
Forcible Rape	10	10	0.0%	139	135	3.0%
Stranger	(3)	(3)		(38)	(36)	
Known	(7)	(7)		(101)	(99)	
Robbery	81	74	9.5%	788	1,004	-21.5%
Commercial	(13)	(9)		(133)	(150)	
Non - Commercial	(68)	(65)		(655)	(854)	
Aggravated Assault	77	57	35.1%	967	954	1.4%
Burglary	396	285	38.9%	3,743	4,095	-8.6%
Residence	(252)	(186)		(2,479)	(2,654)	
Commercial	(139)	(89)		(1,170)	(1,312)	
School	(5)	(10)		(94)	(129)	
Larceny	1,302	1,385	-6.0%	15,503	17,875	-13.3%
Shoplifting	(190)	(245)		(2,309)	(2,638)	
Veh Related Theft	(586)	(579)		(6,981)	(8,459)	
From Buildings	(314)	(344)		(3,831)	(3,974)	
All Other Larcenies	(212)	(217)		(2,382)	(2,804)	
Auto Theft	203	246	-17.5%	2,562	3,489	-26.6%
Part I Total	2,070	2,060	0.5%	23,720	27,573	-14.0%
*Crime Against Persons	88	70	25.7%	1,124	1,110	1.3%
*Crime Against Property	1,982	1,990	-0.4%	22,596	26,463	-14.6%
Minor Assaults	384	363	5.8%	4,899	5,326	-8.0%
Arson	17	9	88.9%	160	131	22.1%
Vandalism	495	497	-0.4%	6,334	6,817	-7.1%
Weapons	36	41	-12.2%	430	410	4.9%
Narcotic Drug Laws	244	225	8.4%	4,511	3,261	38.3%
Sale/Manufacture	(29)	(31)		(522)	(470)	
Possession/Use	(215)	(194)		(3,989)	(2,791)	
Family Offense	23	18	27.8%	391	420	-6.9%
Juvenile Offense	142	158	-10.1%	1,719	1,741	-1.3%
Disorderly Conduct	941	935	0.6%	13,556	13,396	1.2%
All Other Part II Offenses	874	857	2.0%	10,757	10,716	0.4%
Part II Total	3,156	3,103	1.7%	42,757	42,218	1.3%
TOTAL CRIME	5,226	5,163	1.2%	66,477	69,791	-4.7%
Assaults on Police Officer	41	23	78.3%	405	344	17.7%

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PART I OFFENSES CLOSURE RATES COMPARISON STUDY
January 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

PART I CLASSES		Monthly Offenses	Monthly Cases Cleared	Clearance Rate %	Year To Date Offenses	Year To Date Cases Cleared	Clearance Rate %
Murder	2004	1	1	(100.0%)	18	15	(83.3%)
	2003	3	12*	(400.0%)	21	30*	(142.9%)
Rape	2004	10	13	(130.0%)	139	77	(55.4%)
	2003	10	12*	(120.0%)	135	80	(59.3%)
Robbery	2004	81	25	(30.9%)	788	246	(31.2%)
	2003	74	50	(67.6%)	1,004	284	(28.3%)
Aggravated Assault	2004	77	47	(61.0%)	967	563	(58.2%)
	2003	57	25	(43.9%)	954	535	(56.1%)
Burglary	2004	396	45	(11.4%)	3,743	809	(21.6%)
	2003	285	77	(27.0%)	4,095	771	(18.8%)
Larceny	2004	1,302	214	(16.4%)	15,503	2,561	(16.5%)
	2003	1,385	251	(18.1%)	17,875	2,605	(14.6%)
Auto Theft	2004	203	38	(18.7%)	2,562	323	(12.6%)
	2003	246	30	(12.2%)	3,489	373	(10.7%)
Total Part I	2004	2,070	383	(18.5%)	23,720	4,594	(19.4%)
	2003	2,060	457	(22.2%)	27,573	4,678	(17.0%)

* Reflects closure from previous months

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Comparison Study of Arrests
January 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

Year To Date Criminal Arrests	2004	2003	% + -
Murder	28	30	-6.7%
Rape	70	46	52.2%
Robbery	291	299	-2.7%
Aggravated Assault	450	450	0.0%
Burglary	565	578	-2.2%
Larceny	1,775	1,894	-6.3%
Auto Theft	441	535	-17.6%
Part I Total	3,620	3,832	-5.5%
Minor Assaults	1,159	1,066	8.7%
Arson	11	11	0.0%
Vandalism	174	148	17.6%
Weapons	414	380	8.9%
Narcotic Drug Laws	2,555	2,280	12.1%
Family Offense	19	22	-13.6%
Juvenile Offense	7	34	-79.4%
Disorderly Conduct	260	252	3.2%
All Other Part II Offenses	3,512	3,420	2.7%
Part II Total	8,111	7,613	6.5%
TOTAL CRIME	11,731	11,445	2.5%
*C/A/Persons	548	526	4.2%
*C/A/Property	3,072	3,306	-7.1%

Criminal Arrests	2004	2003
Total Current Month	911	920
Total Year to Date	11,731	11,445
Male Current Month	761	753
Total Year to Date	9,725	9,450
Female Current Month	150	167
Total Year to Date	2,006	1,995
Under 18 Current Month	137	132
Total Under 18 YTD	1,587	1,897

Criminal Citations Issued	2004	2003
Total Current Month	446	366
Total Year to Date	5,402	4,469

Residents Arrests	2004	2003
Part I Classes	61.0%	57.8%
Robbery	70.1%	75.3%
Burglary	65.8%	68.5%
Auto Theft	59.2%	54.6%
Narcotics	73.1%	73.5%
Non-residents Arrests	2004	2003
Part I Classes	39.0%	42.2%
Robbery	29.9%	24.7%
Burglary	34.2%	31.5%
Auto Theft	40.8%	45.4%
Narcotics	26.9%	26.5%

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Motor Vehicle Collisions Study Report
January 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS HANDLED BY MCP	2004 Monthly	2004 Year to Date	2003 Monthly	2003 Year to Date
Fatal Collisions	3	59	7	50
Alcohol Related Fatal Collisions	0	16	0	12
Injury Collisions	439	5,321	437	5,589
Alcohol Related Injury Collisions	33	419	35	408
Property Damage Collisions	718	7,660	696	7,912
Alcohol Related Prop. Damage Collisions	55	610	38	586
Hit & Run Collisions	176	1,994	170	85
All Collisions	1,160	13,040	1,140	13,551

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS FATALITIES	2004 Monthly	2004 Year To Date	2003 Monthly	2003 Year To Date
Operators	2	34	1	22
Passengers	1	19	1	18
Pedestrians	0	14	5	13
On Pedalcycles	0	1	0	0
On Motorcycles	0	2	0	2
All Victims	3	70	7	55

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS PERSONS INJURED	2004 Monthly	2004 Year To Date	2003 Monthly	2003 Year To Date
Occupants (inc. Operator & Passenger)	578	7,047	549	7,476
Pedestrians	45	416	46	431
Pedalcyclists(bicycles)	2	77	1	90
Motorcyclists	5	98	1	71

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED ARRESTS	2004 Monthly	2004 Year To Date	2003 Monthly	2003 Year To Date
	423	3,697	272	3,255

TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	2004 Monthly	2004 Year To Date	2003 Monthly	2003 Year To Date
	11,437	139,193	8,539	110,615

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

CRIME
BY DISTRICT

December 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

	1st District: Rockville			2nd District: Bethesda			3rd District: Silver Spring			4th District: Wheaton			5th District: Germantown			6th District: Mont Village		
	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%
Murder	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	2	-100.0%	1	1	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Rape	2	3	-33.3%	-1	1	-200.0%	1	-2	-150.0%	5	3	66.7%	1	2	-50.0%	2	3	-33.3%
Robbery	4	7	-42.9%	10	3	233.3%	24	29	-17.2%	13	18	-27.8%	8	4	100.0%	22	13	69.2%
Agg. Assault	10	4	150.0%	9	6	50.0%	17	10	70.0%	22	14	57.1%	10	6	66.7%	9	17	-47.1%
Burglary	72	60	20.0%	69	32	115.6%	90	81	11.1%	80	57	40.4%	31	16	93.8%	54	39	38.5%
Larceny	184	191	-3.7%	200	290	-31.0%	232	286	-18.9%	210	239	-12.1%	203	125	62.4%	273	254	7.5%
Auto Theft	20	23	-13.0%	24	31	-22.6%	74	86	-14.0%	35	58	-39.7%	25	15	66.7%	25	33	-24.2%
Part I	292	288	1.4%	311	363	-14.3%	438	492	-11.0%	366	390	-6.2%	278	168	65.5%	385	359	7.2%
Part II	574	503	14.1%	351	371	-5.4%	674	659	2.3%	611	620	-1.5%	372	350	6.3%	574	600	-4.3%
Total Crime	866	791	9.5%	662	734	-9.8%	1,112	1,151	-3.4%	977	1,010	-3.3%	650	518	25.5%	959	959	0.0%

Cumulative   January 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

	1st District: Rockville			2nd District: Bethesda			3rd District: Silver Spring			4th District: Wheaton			5th District: Germantown			6th District: Mont Village		
	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%
Murder	0	2	-100.0%	3	0	N/C	6	7	-14.3%	4	7	-42.9%	1	2	-50.0%	4	3	33.3%
Rape	19	22	-13.6%	12	12	0.0%	28	22	27.3%	36	28	28.6%	18	16	12.5%	26	35	-25.7%
Robbery	70	96	-27.1%	81	91	-11.0%	256	335	-23.6%	155	200	-22.5%	51	91	-44.0%	175	191	-8.4%
Agg. Assault	129	136	-5.1%	74	77	-3.9%	217	215	0.9%	178	170	4.7%	153	126	21.4%	216	230	-6.1%
Burglary	620	588	5.4%	569	616	-7.6%	812	862	-5.8%	742	832	-10.8%	412	462	-10.8%	588	735	-20.0%
Larceny	2,539	2,805	-9.5%	2,703	3,133	-13.7%	2,948	3,549	-16.9%	2,591	3,099	-16.4%	1,871	1,867	0.2%	2,851	3,422	-16.7%
Auto Theft	250	329	-24.0%	342	437	-21.7%	784	1260	-37.8%	516	692	-25.4%	241	270	-10.7%	429	501	-14.4%
Part I	3,627	3,978	-8.8%	3,784	4,366	-13.3%	5,051	6,250	-19.2%	4,222	5,028	-16.0%	2,747	2,834	-3.1%	4,289	5,117	-16.2%
Part II	7,430	7,295	1.9%	4,561	4,212	8.3%	8,197	8,560	-4.2%	8,906	8,061	10.5%	5,667	5,586	1.5%	7,996	8,504	-6.0%
Total Crime	11,057	11,273	-1.9%	8,345	8,578	-2.7%	13,248	14,810	-10.5%	13,128	13,089	0.3%	8,414	8,420	-0.1%	12,285	13,621	-9.8%

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

ARRESTS
BY DISTRICT

Monthly — December 1 - December 31, 2004 - 2003

	*1st District: Rockville			2nd District: Bethesda			3rd District: Silver Spring			4th District: Wheaton			5th District: Germantown			6th District: Mont Village		
	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%
Murder	0	1	-100.0%	0	0	0.0%	1	0	N/C	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Rape	1	0	N/C	2	0	N/C	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	2	2	0.0%	1	1	0.0%
Robbery	8	7	14.3%	5	0	N/C	6	7	-14.3%	4	4	0.0%	0	1	-100.0%	1	9	-88.9%
Agg. Assault	9	10	-10.0%	4	1	300.0%	10	6	66.7%	7	6	16.7%	5	2	150.0%	3	5	-40.0%
Burglary	9	15	-40.0%	3	5	-40.0%	7	9	-22.2%	13	10	30.0%	1	6	-83.3%	4	6	-33.3%
Larceny	26	41	-36.6%	20	36	-44.4%	26	45	-42.2%	35	18	94.4%	11	17	-35.3%	25	24	4.2%
Auto Theft	10	10	0.0%	0	5	-100.0%	10	9	11.1%	7	15	-53.3%	4	0	N/C	2	6	-66.7%
Part I	63	84	-25.0%	34	47	-27.7%	60	76	-21.1%	66	53	24.5%	23	28	-17.9%	36	51	-29.4%
Part II	215	213	0.9%	44	38	15.8%	144	145	-0.7%	72	71	1.4%	56	40	40.0%	98	74	32.4%
Total Crime	278	297	-6.4%	78	85	-8.2%	204	221	-7.7%	138	124	11.3%	79	68	16.2%	134	125	7.2%

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	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%	2004	2003	%
Murder	12	6	100.0%	1	2	-50.0%	9	7	28.6%	1	5	-80.0%	2	3	-33.3%	3	7	-57.1%
Rape	29	14	107.1%	2	4	-50.0%	11	9	22.2%	11	6	83.3%	7	7	0.0%	10	6	66.7%
Robbery	64	47	36.2%	30	12	150.0%	65	76	-14.5%	47	54	-13.0%	26	40	-35.0%	59	70	-15.7%
Agg. Assault	112	77	45.5%	29	25	16.0%	101	129	-21.7%	71	73	-2.7%	49	59	-16.9%	88	87	1.1%
Burglary	141	108	30.6%	46	57	-19.3%	114	107	6.5%	116	87	33.3%	63	93	-32.3%	85	126	-32.5%
Larceny	471	361	30.5%	270	359	-24.8%	338	397	-14.9%	287	281	2.1%	160	205	-22.0%	249	291	-14.4%
Auto Theft	126	74	70.3%	29	45	-35.6%	128	186	-31.2%	55	101	-45.5%	26	39	-33.3%	77	90	-14.4%
Part I	955	687	39.0%	407	504	-19.2%	766	911	-15.9%	588	607	-3.1%	333	446	-25.3%	571	677	-15.7%
Part II	3,031	2,470	22.7%	431	509	-15.3%	1,698	1,606	5.7%	948	897	5.7%	664	785	-15.4%	1,339	1,346	-0.5%
Total Crime	3,986	3,157	26.3%	838	1,013	-17.3%	2,464	2,517	-2.1%	1,536	1,504	2.1%	997	1,231	-19.0%	1,910	2,023	-5.6%

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